IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: WOBBE-3

In re Application of:

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Appl. No.: 10/770,124

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For: MOLD CLOSING DEVICE FOR AN INJECTION MOLDING MACHINE

Group Art Unit: 1732

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to C) which were cited in the Search Report issued by the German Patent Office with regard to the corresponding German patent application No. 101 64 715.8, and to references D)-E) which were cited in the European Search Report issued by the European Patent Office with regard to the corresponding European patent application No. EP 02 01 4193. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

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	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	Germany	DE 199 62 759 C1	Breisacher	04-19-2001
B)	Germany	DE 43 25 180 C2	Liang et al.	10-31-1996
C)	Austria	AT 003 798 U1	Steinbichler	07-15-2000
D)	Europe	EP 0 794 045 A	Koch et al.	09-10-1997
E)	Germany	DE 10 09 484 B	Stüdli	05-29-1957

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise

explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant herewith

submits a copies of the German and the European Search Reports together with

the respective translations of the relevant pages thereof.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention

patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application

is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted

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